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The Honorable Charles E. Schumer  
Majority Leader  
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The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
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The Honorable Richard J. Durbin  
Chairman  
Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Charles E. Grassley  
Ranking Member  
Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Re: *Support for the Nomination of Kristen Clarke as Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice.*

Dear Majority Leader Schumer, Minority Leader McConnell, Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley:

Kristen Clarke is an extraordinarily well qualified nominee to head the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice.

As a former Co-Chair and current Board member of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, I was co-chair of the Search Committee when Kristen became President and Executive Director of the Lawyers' Committee five years ago. I personally reviewed many of her speeches and writings and a number of her court proceedings from the time she headed the Civil Rights Bureau for the New York State Attorney General Office. I have worked with Kristen and closely followed her leadership of the Lawyers' Committee these past five years.

Having closely examined Kristen's work, I have never seen anything that was less than superb in quality. She is creative, energetic, and dedicated. Her manner is dignified, respectful of all whom she encounters, and compassionate to the disadvantaged. Her leadership is more than effective; she is an inspiration to those who work with her.

I urge the Senate Judiciary Committee and the Senate, for the good of our country and in the interest of civil rights, to vote to confirm Kristen Clarke at the earliest opportunity.

Sincerely,



Jack W. Londen